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In early August, Governor Pat McCrory announced the appointment of Nick

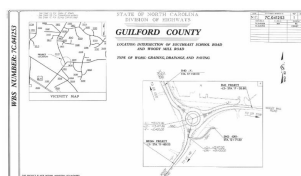
Tennyson as the new Secretary of the North Carolina Department of Transportation. Tennyson previously served as Chief Deputy Secretary since March 2013, and succeeds Tony Tata.

"Nick Tennyson is the perfect choice to continue the momentum we have made in North Carolina's transportation strategy," said Governor McCrory. "He has been involved in planning all of our key transportation strategies over the last two and half years, and is equipped to hit the ground running to continue our progress."

Secretary Tennyson and the NCDOT team will continue to focus on expanding and safely maintaining our transportation network through the Governor's 25 Year Vision, support new funding strategies including the bonds to Connect NC, strengthen our ports to make our state more globally competitive and deliver other infrastructure projects to help grow the state's economy and create jobs.

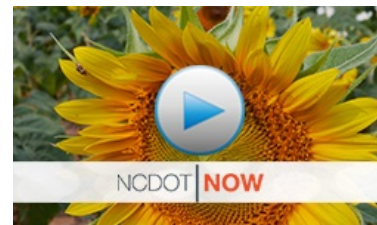
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NCDOT Responds to Community Concern by Constructing Roundabout Near Guilford County High School



Roundabout Near Guilford High School

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On this week's NCDOT Now, NCDOT partners with the N.C. Department of Agriculture on creating pollinator habitats in wildflower beds, tickets available now for special train stops at the North Carolina State Fair and the Lexington Barbecue Festival in October, and ferry crews help rescue a father and son in Swan Quarter Bay.

The N.C. Department of Transportation opened a single-lane roundabout at the intersection of [Southeast High School Road and Woody Mill Road](#) in Greensboro as students headed back to school for the fall session.

"We are glad that we could respond to community concern near this school and that our contractor has worked tirelessly to complete construction several weeks ahead of schedule and before the official start of school," said Division 7 Engineer Mike Mills.

"We are so glad that public involvement on this project resulted in the best solution for the entrance to this school," said Division 7 Board Member Cheryl McQueary added.

"NCDOT has come through by opening the roundabout early! We wanted something to help ease traffic around the school and keep kids safer and this roundabout has done that," said Mark Seagraves, Principal at Southeast High School.

Some construction operations will still be ongoing during school hours but will be suspended during high traffic times.

A roundabout is a circular intersection that channels traffic around a center island without using traffic signals. Because roundabouts allow for continuous flow, vehicles pass through the intersection more efficiently than traditional intersections. This not only reduces congestion, but also helps to reduce pollution and decrease fuel usage. In addition, roundabouts are proven to reduce accidents at intersections without signals.

As roundabouts become more common across the state, NCDOT will continue its efforts to educate motorists about how they work. The department will also install signs providing advance warning of the roundabout along both roads leading to the intersection.

You can find out about other regional projects [here](#).

Division 7 Board Member:
Cheryl McQueary

Cheryl McQueary was appointed to the N.C. Board of Transportation by Gov. Pat McCrory in January 2013. She represents Transportation Division 7, which includes Alamance, Caswell, Guilford, Orange and Rockingham counties.



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McQueary brings to her position more than three decades of experience in both the public and private sectors, including successful leadership roles in the telecommunications industry and at two federal agencies.

Her accomplishments in leading cross-modal research initiatives, advancing transportation technology and developing new businesses have provided her with the expertise to understand the multi-faceted, high-tech challenges facing the state's transportation program.

McQueary most recently served as a Deputy Administrator of the Research and Innovative Technology Agency at the U.S. Department of Transportation. Prior to that, she served as Special Assistant to the Chief Information Officer at the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Both positions were appointments by President George W. Bush.

Prior to those appointments, McQueary spent 20 years in the rapidly advancing telecommunications industry, where she excelled in a variety of roles including marketing, sales, strategic planning, and program management. McQueary earned a B.A. cum laude in zoology at Drew University, a Masters of Public Administration at Fairleigh Dickinson University, and Masters Certificates in Project Management and in Government Contracting from The George Washington University.

McQueary is extensively involved in the Greensboro community. She currently serves on the University of North Carolina, Greensboro Excellence Foundation Board, the Greensboro Historical Museum Inc. Board, and the TEDx Greensboro Leadership Team.

Her previous community service includes United Way of Greater Greensboro, the Joseph M. Bryan Foundation Community Grants Committee and the Greensboro Jaycees Community Advisory Council for the PGA Chrysler Classic of Greensboro Golf Tournament.

McQueary and her husband Chuck live in Greensboro.

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